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PRESIDENT'S SOUTHERN TOUR PROMISES GOOD RESULTS

THE OLD SOUTH AND THE NEW

A Southern Preacher Seeks Notoriety—Violates Precepts of the Master—Value of Advertising in Race Papers—The Negro a Consumer.

(Staff Correspondence.)

President Roosevelt will undertake a third tour of the South in the fall, visiting points not touched in previous itineraries. Mr. Roosevelt shows by this readiness to come into direct contact with a hostile political section a loftiness of soul and statemanly mold of intellect that more than vindicate the wisdom of the American republic in choosing him to be a president of all the people beneath the flag. The South knows Mr. Roosevelt better now than it did when he took up the work from which the lamented McKinley was so summarly snatched by the hand of the assassin. He was suspected misjudged and maligned Little-headed Bourbons were unable to grasp the true significance of the term "a square deal" and their eyes were too blinded by an unreasoning predjudice to see how a high-bred white man could sufficiently respect his oath of office and obey the dictates of a christian conscience fair enough to include the black man in his survey of the citizens around whom the mantle of constitutional protection must be thrown. But the Southerners have taken the Presidents measure now, and they have a pretty fair conception of the Rooseveltian code, even while they persist in their refusal to accept it as their rule of conduct. To Mr. Roosevelt the Negro is not a problem but an integral part of the people. He sets a standard of man hood, of character, of fitness and all are equally worthy who answer to its requirements, regardless of color. The South's demurrer to this rigid adherence to civil equality is gently, but firmly ever-ruled. It has been ascertained, however, that Mr. Roosevelt has no fell designs upon the fetich known as "social equality," and the early apprehensions of the Bourbons have now somewhat subsided. The tour will probably include Richmond, Raleigh, Atlanta, Jacksonville, Montgomery, Mobile and other points in the states in which these stellar cities are located, probably, closing at Helena or Little Rock in Arkansas. It is especially gratifying to our people that the President has consented to stop off a day at Tuskegee, and see for himself the wonderful achievements of the race at Booker Washington's great school. He is scheduled to reach there about the 20th of October.

This journey will afford the President the best opportunity he has yet had to get into touch with the real South, and he will come into contact with the element which can do more than any other to make conditions better and who will be more culpable than any other if they are permitted to grow worse. It is safe to say that Mr. Roosevelt will accept the proverbial Southern hospitality in the spirit that it is offered, but he will not neglect to keep his eyes and ears wide open upon the impression gained during this journey. He may very largely base his treatment of the questions in which the South and the Negro and in fact the entire nation are vitally concerned. We are confident that he will take advantage of every favorable opportunity as he goes from place to place to speak out with his habitual frankness and appeal candidly to the American spirit of the Southland and contend for the broad principles of equity between man and man as against a narrow sectionalism that is criminally retarding its natural progress toward wealth, education and industrial advancement. The need of a live aggressive Republican party, founded upon the exalted principles of Lincoln, Grant Sumner and Morton, is scarcely felt in all the states below the Mason's and Dixon's line. The President's visit ought to lead to a stiffening of the Republican backbone in every congressional district to be followed by the nomination of staunch Republican tickets, standing on unsquivocally republican platforms. The issues should be gradualy joined and a campaign for victory stubbornly contested for an honest and intelligent devision of the southern white vote is essential to the salvation of the South from the thraldom of an oligarchy that is crushing it to perdition at "the pace that kills." The Presidents visit ought to lead to an abandonment of the unspeakable "referee system which is choking the life out of useful Republicans who are opposed to "band-box methods" of party management and discouraging the colored voters who would, under a square deal, comprise 95 per cent. of the loyal republican organizations of the South. It ought to lead to a determined stand for the rigid enforcement of the 15th amendment, and the condign punishment of those who spasmotically thwart the will of the people by the fraudulent manipulation of the ballot box and the unlawfully disfranchisement of intelligent and property-owning citizens. We opine that when the President has given the situation the careful study that his tour is so admirably arranged to permit, his message to the 58th Congress will wake the entire country to a livelier sense of the national instinct and inspire a sterner demand for civil liberty that shall mean the same to citizen of Georgia and Mississippi that it means to a citizen of Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. The Negros best case is closer to the ground now than it ever was before.

Our "Rev." J. W. Stagg, who for some unexplained reason is allowed to rattle around in the pulpit of the reputable First Presbyterian church of Birmingham, Ala., is making a desperate effort to escape from the dense obsecurity of a life-time by out-Heroding Herod in casting aspersions upon the character and capacity of the Negro race, and incidentally, throwing mud at Dr. Booker T. Washington and his wonderfully uplifting work. No one with a spoonful of sense or an ounce of information is taking this fellow seriously. He is mentioned here solely for the purpose of emphasizing his idiocy and then having done with him forever. Stagg's assertion that the attempt to educate the Negro is a failure can have no standing in court when the roll is called of of the thousands of graduates from the country's foremost colleges is called and their triumphs in law, medicine, the ministry, arts and sciences, in business, politics and in the industries is recorded. The reduction of the race's illiteracy—over 56 per cent since emancipation—unprecedented in the history of any people, simply proves proves Stagg to be an infamous prevaricator, if not worse. Stagg's further declaration that the probable trend of foreign immigration southward will eliminate the Negro as a competitor in his accustomed labors is built upon nothing tangible; is sheer guess work, superinduced by a mad hopefulness that the predicted extermination will take place through some miraculuous agency, unfathomed at present. The conclusion reached by Stagg that the solution of the Negro problem lies in the forcible deportation of the entire race to Africa is worthy of the craziest inmate of the Alabama hospital for the insane. Even if the imbecile is ignorant of the brilliant achievements of the black soldiers in all the wars to uphold the dignity of our common country, or if he is disposed to overlook the value of our immense contribution to the production of the land and the conspicuous part we are playing in every avenue of moral, mental and material endeaver—if all these evidences of instrinsic worth escape him does he not perceive the absolute physical impossibility of shipping from these shores, forcibly or otherwise, a population numbering not less than ten millions? Stagg ought to either read up or take treatment, for he is in a dangerous way and is apt to injure himself. In fact we suspect that he has hurt himself already and that he is the only one who will feel any ill effects from his foolish deliverance. As for his vulgar assault upon Booker Washington, a man whose fame will live with that of the most illustrious names of the world's history when Stagg's will be in oblivion tomorrow; nothing need be said by us. Dr Washington cannot be insulted nor can his sphere of influence be made less wide by the ravings of an unbalanced blatherskite The white press of the 'better South" can be relied upon to take care of her Staggs and the malodorous ilk in a manner befitting their offense when they sporadically array their shortsighted hatefulness against the economic welfare of the whole people, for skilled Negro labor, coupled with integrity, is the corner stone of southern prosperity. The decent whites are becomingly very weary weary of having their pretensions to good sense discredited by tolerating such false prophets as Stagg as their spokesman. His escape from obscurity is only temporary and is accomplished only by an unusually atrocious exhibition of assiminity. His "stunt" being over, his brief exploitation in the lime light is at an end. We return him to his miasmatic environs in the dismal swamp of besotten race prejudice from which he will never again emerge, unless it be to leave the country where Negroes will be found in multiplying numbers until the sound of Gabriel's trumpet on the last day. Dispite the ravings of all the Staggs under the sun the colored American is determined to go forward from industry to reward, clinging prayerfully to a faith that

> "Beyond the dim unknown
> God standeth in the shadow,
> Keeping watch over his own."

There are ten millions of Negroes in this country. They are all consumers, all must in the course of their lives put many dollars in food, clothing, shelter, furniture, books, amusements, travel and, in fact, they will buy everything that any other people buy. They are liberal spenders and they like nice goods. When they have provided for their necessities and indulged in a few luxuries they have invested practically all they have earned for a given period. The amount of money handled by Negroes in a year easily runs up into hundreds of millions. Manufacturers and merchants who fail to place their wares before this vast army of buyers through the far reaching medium of the Negro newspaper are not alive to their best interests. Of the Negro population not less than 2,000,000 read the journals published by and for their race, and are influenced to purchase the goods that they see extolled in their columns and these in turn report to 2,000,000 others that the articles so advertised are or are not up to the standard claimed for them. In addition to these countless Negro stewards, butlers, headwaiters, porters, cooks and the like employed by white hotels, restaurants, saloons, dining cars or private families have absolute control of the table or household supplies ordered and they examine the papers critically, not only to see what corporations or dealers offer the best bargans, but to be sure that the recipient of their favor properly respects the Negro as a factor in the commercial world. The Negro business man in buying for himself naturally leans toward the wholesaler or jobber who places a card in a Negro paper as a testimonial that the custom of his race is worth while.

It is a peculiar and unexplainable connumdrum to us how any of the big manufacturing firms or retailers, large and small, can feel that they are exercising proper business sagacity in ignoring the rich market turnished by the Negroes of this country. We cannot see how any one of them can afford to refuse to ask for a share of this limitless volume of trade by advertising in our special organs which, in many instances, go into homes where no other kind of a papers enters or in centers where no other paper is read with the same degree of eagernesss and confidence. As we all know when a clever advertiser wishes to direct the attention of the Irish, Germans, Poles, Italians, Hebrews, Swedes or any of the distinctive elements which are found in our body politic he appeals to them through the columns of the papers conducted especially in their interest. Likewise, the patrons of labor unions, fraternal organizations, secret orders, followers of certain trades and professions, and of even theatre goers and base ball patrons is courteously invited through their class journals, programs, etc. This space designed to attract a special custom is in addition to the heavy outlay placed with the dailes of general circulation and the advertising managers are careful to see that every class of whites is catered to before his duty is accounted "done to a queen's taste."

Why, of all America's host of consummers, is the Negro alone passed over by the bulk of manufacturers and dealers? While many important concerns do "loosen up" to a commendable extent and advertise their products in our papers they are few as compared with the immense aggregate. That this predisposition on the part of the mercantile world to overlook the just claims of the Negro newspaper is notoriously unfair, as well as a violation of the unwritten law of commercial etiquette, goes without the saying. A division of advertising among the various buying classes, the Negro included, is not only to secure a mutuality of benefits, but it has grown to be a bylaw in the wise boomer's code. It is our sincere hope that these few lines will meet the eyes of the gentlemen to whom they are respectfully addressed and prompt them to consider from now on the Negro's massive weight as a consumer of every line of merchandise from a clothes pin to a house and lot and go in for a share of his business in the usual way. They should finally recognize the first class, widely distributed Negro journal for what it really and truly is—the "open door" to a steady market, rivalling in value and prestige the radiant Kohinoor of India's mystic strand.

R. W. THOMPSON.

ROCKFORD, ILL.

The A. M. E. church Sunday school gave their children's day rally last Sunday evening and a large attendance was at out to hear the well rendered program.—Misses S. Woods, M. P. Ouzts, M. Carter and Messrs J Robinson and I. W. Bess spent Sunday in Milwaukee, Wis —Mrs. India Armstrong, of Detroit, Mich., is in the city, attending her mother, Mrs. Charlotte Taylor, who has been very sick in St Joseph hospital.—Mrs Emma Gilbert, Mrs. Charles Price and Miss Ida Sawyer, who have been on the sick list, are improving.—G. W. Vedder, proprietor of the Madison street tonsorial parlor, spent Thursday in Beloit, Wis., on business.

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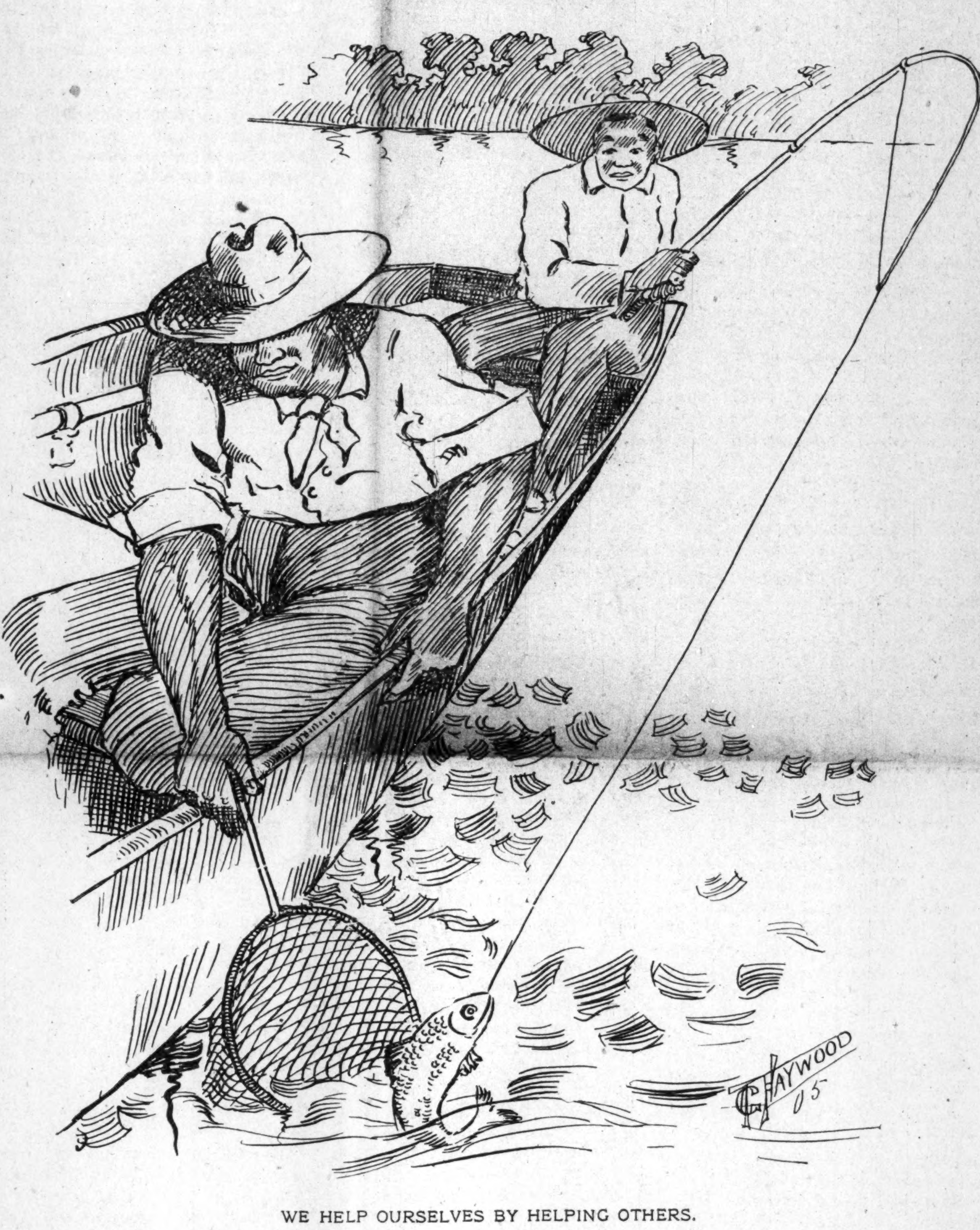

WE HELP OURSELVES BY HELPING OTHERS.

WANDERER FLAYS DIXON.

DOCTRINE OF HATE THE THEME OF THE AUTHOR OF LEOPARD'S SPOTS.

THE CLOTH BADLY DISGRACED

Many in Same Calling are Doing Great Good While Dixon Continues to Misrepresent Ignorant of the Better Class.

The southern papers are having the time of their lives over the Dixon-Ogden controversary. Mr. Dixon's skilltul expression of coarse, almost vulgar sentiment is about as attractive to the refind mind as a corpse done up in fine linen. He mourns with indignant sorrow because Mr. Ogden introduced Mr. Washington in a way befitting his worth. Doesn't Rev. Dixon know that thousands of his people are forcing the association of the races and leaving numbers of our girls unfit to appear even in our own impovished social ranks? Why not condemn that? He is vexed almost to insanity because a respectable colored shopper can buy a lunch in New York.

Surely that is the end of folly. The more respectable South is anxious to know what white person has Mr. Ogden ever forced to sit down and eat with a Negro. Since Mr. Dixon never has and never will patronize the Ogden lunch counter and since he has gained nothing by fasting and Mr. Ogden's business has not suffered because he did not eat his lamentation becomes almost farcial. We almost imagine that we see him pausing in the vomiting of anathema at the North and winking the other eye at the South, where his books find ready sale. Admit that all that Rev. Dixon says of Mr. Ogden is true, then imagine him possessed of every fault common to our imperfect nature, then might he not stand for comparsion by the side of a preacher—a messenger, not of Peace and Goodwill, but of prejudice and hatred. The greatest compliment ever paid Mr. Ogden, the very brightest evidence of his greatness, is that he is condemed by the Rev. Mr. Dixon.

If Mr. Dixon would come South and study the Negro, learn the aspirations of the best class of our people, he might be less harsh in his criticism of the great philanthropist, even at the risk of suffering a small fall off in the sale of books. The actual lives and accomplishments of many Negroes in Anderson and Greenville, S. C., to go no further would knock Dixonism into flinters if they were known. Great leaders mean an aspiring people, for no other kind will have and sustain such leadership. The Negro bank at Greenville meets the charge that the Negro is a contented pauper. President Allen and Cashier Davis are both self made men in a large measure, but stand for everything that the term "man" implies in its highest sense. Drs. Maloy, Witherspoon, Mazoun and McDowell, with untitled men equally as ripe as Revs. Walker, Ransom and Pinton can do society more good with the clear cut, clean gospel of love which they preach than Dixon's "Leopard Spots" will do in a hundred years. Henry McGowar, the black Rockfellow of Anderson; S. J. Jackson, of Unity Six, and the eminent Dr. Lykes, of Greenville, represent a degree of success not common to any people. Dr. Robinson, the talented Anderson devine, tested for the power to lead and goodness of heart to lead rightly for that Christlike concern in the welfare of all the people, is to Mr. Dixon as the eagle to the owl. Rev Quick, the sage of his church, would, without any embarrassment, save that coming from unpleasant association, accept Mr. Dixon as a pupil. I wonder if Mr. Dixon knows the better life among my people. If he does not he is too ignorant to write upon the subject. If he knows and attempts to conceal the truth he is not a safe leader even for his own small following of scoffers and Negro haters.

We Negroes down here believe that there are good white people and we continue to appeal to the good in them, at the same time developing and strengthening the good in ourselves, with the steadfast determination to win the respect and good will of our white neighbors, Mr. Dixon's efforts to the contrary notwithstanding.

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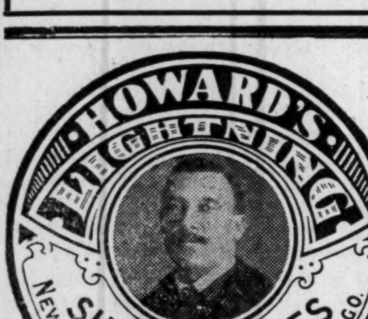

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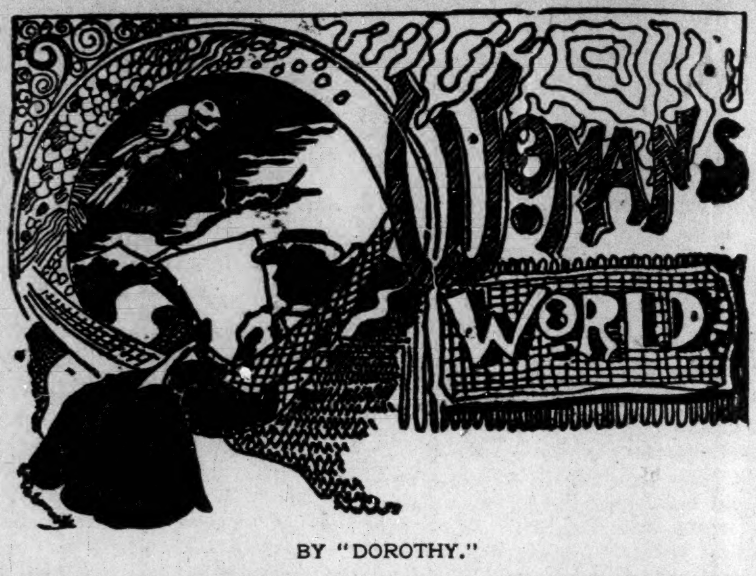

BY "DOROTHY."

This column will be devoted to the interests of women. Questions will be cheerfully answered. In order to insure a reply it is necessary to give a pseudonym under which the querist may be answered. The full name and address must also be given This will not, under any circumstances, be published. No answer will be sent by mail unless a stamped envelope is received at this office. Address all communications to Woman's Corner, The Freeman, Indianaplis, Ind.

JUST SO!

When everything goes crooked,
  And seems inclined to rile,
Don't kick nor fuss no fidget;
  Just—you—smile!

It's hard to learn the lesson,
  But learn it if you'd win,
When people tease and pester,
  Just—you—grin!

When some one tries to "do" you
  By taking more than half,
Be patient, firm and pleasant;
  Just—you—laugh!

But if you find you're stuffy
  (Sometimes, of course, you will!)
And cannot smile nor grin nor laugh;
  Just—keep—still!

—ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN.

Mrs. J. L. Brodrick, the wife of the president of the defunct Indiana National Bank at Elkhart, Ind., now serving a term at Ft. Leavenworth is a saleswoman in Marshall Field's retail store in Chicago. She is also a doctor of Christian Science and earns considerable in that way. Several years before her trouble came she was a devoted member of Christian Science and was cured of a long illness.

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Miss Li Bi Cu is said to be the first Chinese girl to take a degree in medicine in this country, She graduates this year from the Woman's Medical College at Philadelphia with high honors.

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Miss Jane Nathan, the first South African-born girl licensed to practice as a dental surgeon, has returned from her successful studies in Europe to begin her proffession at Hanover, Cape Colony. She is believed to be the first South African girl to take any medical degree.

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At the annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. at Philadelphia last week, Dr Harriet S. French declared that no user of tobacco or intoxicants should be allowed to teach the young. A resolution to this effect was passed.

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Mrs Frances C. Barton has arranged to endow twelve scholarships at Tuskegee Institute to be known as Col. Robert Gould Shaw Scholarships, in honor of her brother. The endowment amounts to fully $12000.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell is the first woman to be honored by Fisk University as its commencement orator.

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The wife of a minister in an Indiana town has been awarded the first prize by an eastern publication for the best article on "The Ethics of Prize Giving." She took strong grounds against prize giving, especially for parlor card contests.

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A Canadian newspaper has prophesied that the city home of the future will contain no stoves. Cooking will be done by power, the building will be heated from a central plant, elevators will run from cellar to garret, and breakfast, lunch and dinner will be supplied from a co-operative center. Not only will the house of the future be cleaned by power, but the dust will be removed by a pneumatic exhaust system. For the poor tired out housekeeper may that day make haste.

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A San Francisco woman who founded an institution in 1868 has lost her money and entered the home.

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Death from peritonitis, due to excessive taking of pills, was stated to be the cause of a woman's death at a Bristol (England) inquest.

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A London journal says that Americans are coming over in greater swarms than ever and soon the streets will be full of curiously quiet looking men in weird coats with padded shoulders, ending at the hips, long boots blobby at the tips and straw hats with no roofs and women with brown faces with very white, whites, green veils floating in the breeze and accents that set one's teeth on edge.

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A girl who can talk in a bright, entertaining and sensible manner is generally a favorite whether she has a pretty face or not.

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The fraud-order division of the post-office department is investigating whether a certain concern can bleach one's face and turn kinky hair to the straightness of an Indian.

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Hand-painted white taffeta, black taffeta with lace medallions, figured taffeta with heavy lace insertion, dark blue taffeta appliqued with white leather are among the very latest designs in parasols.

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To cleanse hair brushes, put three or four spoonsful of borax in a quart of tepid water and dip the bristles in it, but not the back. Then rinse well in several waters, ending with quite cold water.

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The skin is an index to the condition of the system. A pimpled skin is oftimes caused from eating too hastily.

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It is seldom our duty to repeat true tales we hear against others. Before we speak, we ought to be quite sure that silence is failure in duty.

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Count that day lost whose low descending sun, views from thy hand no worthy action done.

DETROIT, MICH.

Eureka Commandary, No 1, Knights Templar, lenten services at Ebenezer church June 1st. Rev. Allen preached; H. P. Thompson, prelate. They were headed by the Commandary band. The service was well attended. A. J. White, eminent commander.—A. A. Shelton's orchestra from Denver, Col., with a concert company is stopping at the Fredonia hotel.—Among the late arrivals at the Fredonia are Moses Garfield and James Heath, of Indianapolis, Ind., and James McLason, of Asheville, N. C.—An old time candy supper and spelling match will be given under the direction of the Faithful Few at Bethel A. M. E. church Thursday evening, June 8th. Mrs. M. A. Gainer, president; G. W. Lewis, secretary.—Among those who read the Freeman every week are Dr. Ames. S. L Beldson, headwaiter at the American room at the Wayne; John Artis, headwaiter at the Ladies Cafe; and B. F. Richardson, formerly of Duluth, Minn., headwaiter in the gents cafe, also at the Wayne.—Any one wishing to secure a copy of the Freeman in Detroit can secure it every Saturday at 267 Gratiot avenue, or have it delivered to their address.

JOLIET, ILL.

Rev. Atkinson, of Kansas City, Mo., is assisting Rev. Johnson of the Second Baptist church with a revival. They have had a large number of converts.—Mrs. Irene L. Andrews, G. W. C., of I. O. O. C, and M. N. C, of Household of Ruth, visited the several Courts of Joliet.—Will Smith is visiting with friends in Morris.—A large number of Auroraites attended the dance given by Messrs Johnson, Davis and Gransbery Friday evening.—Rev. C. W. Thompson and wife, with Miss Pearl Chapman were delegates to the A. M. E. Sunday School Conference held in Chicago June 7 9—Sunday Mrs. King, an aged lady droped dead while giving her testimony in covenant at the Second Baptist church. It was always her desire to die at prayer or while at her Master's work.—Mrs. Emma Williams, after spending the winter in Datonia, Fla, has returned much improved in health.—Mrs. Anna James is on the sick list.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mason, with Dick Thompson have gone to Battle Creek, Mich., to live. Mr. Mason is one of Joliets old residents, having lived here for over thirty years. Poor health is the cause for the change.—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cardwell are visiting with her sister in Chicago.

ROCKFORD, ILL.

The Rockford Jubilee Singers furnished music for the Rockford Township Convention of Sunday School workers which covened in the State Street Baptist church Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A feature of the service was a duet by Miss Deserett Hodges and I. W. Bess.—The African Order of Foresters has been organized in Rockford with 115 members.—The funeral of Wm. Ousley, of Beloit, Wis., on last Wednesday had a large representation from Rockford.—The A. M. E. church's quarterly conference was held on the 2nd. Rev. H. H. Payson, P. E., preached.—Rockford Jubilee Singers appeared in Beloit, Wis., June 13th where a large crowd heard them at the rally of the M. E. church.—The stewardesses of the A. M. E. church appeared in their new regalia last Sunday, and they are to be highly complimented.

DETROIT MICH.

A large and fashionable audience greeted Mr. Frank D. Glenn, of Oberlin O., at Bethel A. M. E church in a song recital Thursday evening, June 1. Mr. Glenn possesses an exceptionally fine musical tenor voice, supplemented by careful and conscientious study, under the best instructors. His selections were of the highest order and the interperation of each was that of a real artist. Miss Bertha Hansbury, pianist of the Detroit Conservatory of Music and Mr Leroy Smith violinist acquitted themselves with credit and were enthusiastically received. From the excellent work of the chorus under the direction of Prof. J. W. Johnson it is safe to predict that Detroit will in the near future boast of a rival to Prof. Layton's far famed chorus of the Capital City. Unbounded credit is due to Mr. Johnson for his untiring effort. Financially and musically the concert was a splendid success, and many expressions of satisfaction from those fortunate enough to be present have been heard on all sides. It is to be hoped that this is but the beginning of a series of appearances here of artists of our own race. Miss Susie Eleanor Smith, the talented daughter of Bishop C. S. Smith is respensible for this entertainment. Miss Smith also has charge of Bethel choir, and we predict that she will put the choir at a standard that it has never been before.—Mr. Merriweather, formerly of Indianapolis is still with us He made a trip to Chicago a few days ago. We are glad to have him as one of our tenor singers. We have in our midst Prof. William E. Roberts, one of our best young men of the state. We are proud of him and only hope that he may continue to be a light to the race which he represents He is also one of our tenor singeas in Bethel.—Don't fail to get your paper our agent, B. Allen Morris, 175 Wilkins street.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

Mrs. Elizabeth Christian, who has been visiting her daughter and son, Mr and Mrs. Louis Ellis, left Friday for her home, Bellevernon, Pa.—Miss Mary and Blanche Smith, who were in Clarksburg visiting and attended commencement a few days ago, returned home last Friday afternoon and report a good time.—John Shorts, who has been away for some time has returned to our city and is making his headquarters at the the Delecatessen hotel.—Misses Ollie, Eitha and Edith Gordon and several other friends from Uniontown, Pa., were in the city on Decoration day.—Miss Ica Warrick and her sister from Bretz spent decoration day it the city.—The young ladies and gentlemen gave a fine dance in Hunt's hall on the evening of Decoration day.—The public school closed for the term last Friday evening. The school commencement was largely attended and the program exercises were excellent. The program consisted of recitations, songs, solos, dialogues, duets, quartets and essays. Miss Mattie Prouty is a faithful teacher and true to her race and country.—Miss Eva M. Brown, who was attending the Institute of West Virginia, returned home Saturday, June 10.—Mrs. Brown gave a delightful party at the parsonage on Decoration day evening.

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In our last week's issue by some oversight we got 'Colored" instead of "Colonial" Hotel in our report of George L Lang's address to the Head, Second and Sidewaiters' Convention, which convened in Pittsburg, Pa.

John J. Miles, the veteran headwaiter at the Plankinton House, Milwaukee, Wis., came near choking to death, last week, and his life was barely saved by an operation performed by Dr. Lemon in that city. The accident occurred in Chicago, and Mr. Miles immediately took a train for Milwaukee, where the operation was successfully performed.

L. J. Rice, the popular proprietor of Rice's cafe, Dayton, O, has organized Rice's base ball team. The officers and stockholders of the company are as follows: L Phillips, president; William Askins, vice-president; J. Hickerson, secretary; L. J. Rice, treasurer; Ben Thomas, James Carter and H. Jackson. Mr. Rice is an ex headwaiter, and invites all visitors to Dayton to look him up.

Mr. Erwins, proprietor of Savoy Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., was elected president of the H. M. M. B. A. at Atlantic City last week; S. S. Phoebus, proprietor of the Wiltshire Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., vice-president, and J. R. Blatchford of Chicago was re elected secretary and treasurer. The association meets in Portland, Oregon, next year. Among the prominent Western and Southern hotel proprietors who were present are N. A. Court, Columbus, O, W. B Akers, Cleveland, O., T. J. Cullen, Cincinnati, O, W. H. Worth, Chicago, Ill., Dr. Marshall, Bloomington, Ill., L P. Parker, Memphis, Tenn., A. R Blakely, New Orleans, La., W. Black, Nashville, Tenn., S. R. Read, Chattanooga, Tenn., and others.

The Gwendolen Publishing Company, 130 Fulton street, New York City, has issued "Commanders of the Dining Room." The book is neatly bound and contains biographic sketches and portraits of successful colored headwaiters. The book is compiled by E. A Maccannon, who, in the introductory, amply justifies the aims of the publication. The history of the Headwaiters' Association, which is given much prominence, well written by W. Alonzo Locke, the affable headwaiter at the Gayoso Hotel, Memphis, Tenn., and ex-president of the association. We know of no one more able to put forth the early history of the association, and we congratulate him upon his masterly effort. The contents of the book are as follows:

Introductory, history of the H. S. & S. W. Association, biographies of Frank P. Thompson, W. Alonzo Locke, Edwin W. Harper, E. C. Holland, Thomas J. Simon, Robt. H Grant, Thos. A. Morris, C. C. Randolph, H. Pettigrew, A. E. Jenkins, Walter C. Outlaw, W. P. Landon, Calvin M. Farrar, George A. Curry, R J. Wilder, John A Gloster, W. R. Harris, James L. Dickinson, J. T. Lee, Wm. S. Foreman, J. H. Holmes, Geo. H Richardson, A L Walters, L D. Houston, John T. Gilbert, John C. Logan, S R Wilson, Chas. T. Furguson, Thos. A. Wood, C B. Coles, Harvey C. Green, Chas. C. Smith, W. E. Tucker, Thos C. Smith, John T. Stanton, H. C. Pitts, James H. Whitehead, Nic C. Johns, W. A. Fisher, A. Nathaniel Dempsey, John J. Miles, Thos. H. Frazier, Samuel Thompson, George P. Goode, E. T. Mathews, A. H. Daily, Frank C. Long, M. M. Martin, F. H Griffin, R. J. Patterson, E W. Diggs and W. Forrest Cozart.

Never in the history of the occupation of a waiter were better men engaged in the work than at the present. There is absolutely no relative comparison so far as intelligence and manhood of the man following the work and those of twenty-five years ago, when, in some parts of the South, such a person as is characterized as waiters to-day were then called flunkeys. The normal and high schools of every clime and village for the education of the colored youth have contributed their quota to the ranks of a waiter, and this aggregation of trained minds from the different institutions have proven a great stimulus to the less fortunate and uneducated till, at this time, it is very difficult to find a man among waiters of any hotel, no matter where located, who cannot read and write and entertain a crowd on current topics. It is true that many of those who have come among the waiters for the making of their daily bread have made this one of the means of accomplishing other ends. Happily for them they not only find time and advantages to study not enjoyed in any other work, but a distinct pleasure in maintaining a clean and dignified appearances while the work affords an excellent opportunity to keep posted on all topics which might prove interesting and beneficial. Some have studied law, others medicine, and still others denistry, architect, pharmacy, civil engineering, the ministry, and now many are found studying agricultural-chemistry. Many of these students have passed on down the channel into the open sea of successful and professional competition where master minds struggle for supremacy. But what is the philosophy of this to the profession or to those who by sheer force of circumstances must continue in the harness? True, indeed, it is comforting, inspiring, but all men cannot advance through the same channel. Point out to-day the men who have made a success of waiting and still follow the work. There is plenty room and plenty waiting opportunities for the young men with courage and ambition to force themselves forward into the ranks of leaders. The duty devolves upon the older heads to point the way to success to the thousand willing and anxious who have the intellect and manliness of character, but wait the direction of those who would teach the science that underlies the art of doing any given task. We profit by experience and should teach the thousand and one pitfalls to the aspiring generation who long for advice to begin and how to begin right. The art of waiting is already developed to a marked degree in the "American Colored Waiter." Read it; you will never have cause to say otherwise

ANNUAL SERMON.

G. L. Lang's Report—Preached by Rev. Gilmere, Pastor of the A. M. E. Church, the First Sunday in June, 1905.

Services were opened by prayer by Bro. George Lang.

The opening address was delivered by Hon. H. T. Eubanks, ex-headwaiter of the Weddell Hotel, Hollenden and Russell Hotel of Detroit, Mich., now State Representative from Ohio. His address to his comrades was very interesting. Nearly every hotel and restaurant was represented. Among those present were the headwaiter of the Colonial Hotel supported by his staff, Glen Stringer, second waiter, William Brewer, third waiter, J. Carter, first captain, and crew, Mr. Thurston of the Forest City and crew, Mr. Young and crew of the Baldwin, also representatives from the Euclid Hotel, Kennard. American, Amsterdam, Croxden, Tavistok, White Hall, Gridiron cafes and Colonial restaurant.

Our intention is to have an annual sermon preached the first Sunday of every June. I think it is a good step for every headwaiter to take. Any of the churches would be glad to extend you an invitation and throw their doors open. It is not only a credit to our occupation, but a credit to each individual and brings ever to the mind of every hotel man that he should celebrate this day and turn thanks to God for his success in life.
GEO L. LANG.
Cleveland, O.

MOBILE, ALA.

On Thursday, June 1, 1905, our distinguished leader, Prof. Booker T. Washington, was received by the colored business and professional men of Mobile. After being driven about the city for an hour or more the party repaired to Franklin Street Baptist church where he was tendered an ovation never before accorded any one by the colored people of Mobile. Prof. Washington spoke for an hour, giving some good advice to our young men and women, which, we hope, they will profit by—John Alexander, one of the Burrelle Hotel's valued employes, has left for a visit to his parents in Greenville, Ala. John has not seen his parents for several years, so he left with lots of good things to make them happy.—The past week has been given up entirely to the sweet girl graduate. She has been holding full sway. We do hope she will begin life in the outside world with a fearless tread and success will crown her efforts.—Mrs. James Adams left on June 1st for her home in Atlanta, Ga. Her many friends regret that she could not remain longer.—The colored base ball team of Beaumont, Texas, played a series of three games with M. Herman's Mobile Sluggers, which resulted in each team winning one game. They fought until darkness prevented either side gaining any advantage over the other. The Beaumonts left for Montgomery, but will return next week to play the Hermans for a purse of $200.

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MARION, IND.

Mrs. Zeno Jones and daughter, of Chicago, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. F. Pettiford.—Chris Lett, of Matthews, was in the city Thursday.—Mrs. Daisy Charthell and daughter, Aurelia, have returned to Chicago after a week's visit with friends.—William Kinney and wife left Wednesday for their home in Wabash after a few day's visit.—J. Ellis and daughter, Mrs. W. Webb, of Anderson, are here attending the bed side of Mrs. W. Wilson, who is seriously ill.—The funeral of Rev Harry Morgan occurred Wednesday afternoon at the Fifth street church. Rev. T. Price preached a consoling and touching sermon. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful.—Misses Fern Fergurson and Etta Marshall were elected delegates to the Sunday School Convention, which will be held here soon.—Miss Leota Smith, an accomplished and talented young lady, was the only colored graduate of the high school class '05 out of a class of twenty-seven. Miss Blanche Fergurson received a diploma in the grammar grade and will enter high school in the fall.—Thomas Harrison, of Hamilton, O, is the guest of Morris Dyson. Mr. Harrison will move his family here in the near future.—Word was recieved from Mrs. Jennie Johnson, who is at the bed side of her sister, Carrie Holiday, of Columbus, O., that little hope for her recovery is entertained.—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Winslow, of Frankfort, were the guests of friends Sunday.—James Wilson and Mrs. S. Harris Spent Sunday in Cincinnati.—Mrs. Mollie Harris, of Wabash, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. Ponds, last week.—The B. I B. club held a very pleasant meeting at Heber Fergurson's resident Wednesday night.—Miss Helen Peters, of Kokomo, was the guest of her cousin, Miss Leona Milton, Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs Dillard Artist entertained a number of friends from Duckreel and Kokomo at 6 o'clock dinner Sunday.—Miss Lulu Fergurson and mother and E Daniels, of Wabash, were the guests of Mrs J. W. Burden Sunday.—The corner stone laying of the Second Baptist church was largely attended by K. of P.'s from Kokomo, Anderson, Wabash and Indianapolis. Rev Leonard, of Shelbyville, preached an able sermon, afterwhich George P. Stewart, of Indianapolis, conducted the cermonies. A contribution of $56 35 was taken up.—Rev. Rainey Bennet, pastor of the Christian Temple (white) will lecture at the Fifth street church for the benefit of the Thirty-fifth street church.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

The completed Lewis and Clark exposition and its surroundings will be a pleasant surprise to Easterners, and none may have fear in regard to extortionate prices as to board and lodging if they only make application to one of the various information bureaus.—C. Watkins of Chicago arrived the past week to be employed in the Illinois State building.—Will Keating of Little Rock, Ark., arrived a few days ago, and is connected with the Model Club as mixologist extraordinary. The Model Club is to give a dance every Monday night during the exposition at Jefferson Gardens.—Al. Douglas and Bud Murray of Spokane are extending the glad hand to their many friends.—Mr. C. Whitman and Mrs. B. Whitman of Little Rock, Ark., are here to while away a summer of sight seeing.—The Portland friends of G. A. Ward of Oakland Cal., sincerely sympathize with him during his present serious illness.—The Freeman is on sale at "Frank's" bath parlors on Sixth street.—Mrs. Pierce of Vancouver, B. C., is in Portland visiting her niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Watson.—One of the interesting events of next month will be the Juvenile entertainment at Bethel church

MINEOLA, TEX.

The farmers are busy planting corn and cotton.—Ed. Carter died May 27. His wife is in some part of Indian Territory.—George Levi, the son of S. Anderson is ill with fever.—Bob Holt's wife died last week and was buried at Smith County, Lindale.—Swan and Tyler are in the lead for fine fruit this year.—Miss Barnie Jones has returned home from Praire View, where she has been attending school.—Sandy Anderson will bring The Freemen to your door one month for 20 cents.

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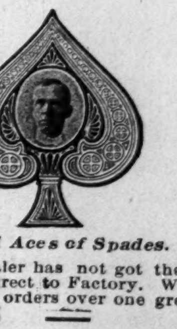

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MAYOR WEAVER.

Philadelphia is about the last place one would have expected to find such a product as its present mayor. The wonder of it all is that such a man was nominated and elected. It must have been one of those cases of 'didn't know it was loaded." What was the gang doing that it allowed such a man to "get by?" It was the business of Rojestvinesky to know where Togo "was at," and so it was of the fellows who have been running things in Philadelphia. But just how it came to pass that one who has turned out to be the rank enemy of graft and boodle should have been elected to the highest place in the gift of the people of Philadelphia is one of those strange events that only time can explain. It is barely possible that this was done on purpose, and by the people themselves, yet we insist that this is too much to be expected from that erstwhile City of Brotherly Love. But why may not these people have come to see, as others have, that the best interests of the whole people are not best subserved when government is sought for the purpose of plunder? There are evidences of an awakening in different parts of the country, and it is to be hoped that the appearance of Mayor Weaver on the political rostrum is an effect of the people having grown tired of supporting a policy of public plunder. Mayor Weaver is one of that increasing number whose duty it is to save the Republican party from its own destruction.

THE CONGO.

Mrs. Sheldon, the American woman who went to the Congo, primarily to catch butterflies and incidentally to investigate the charges of Belgian cruelty against the natives, has returned and is now busy syndicating her report through the press. When it is remembered that the King of Belgium paved the way for her going and provided every facility for her travel in that country, there need be no surprise that Mrs. Sheldon failed to find any proof of these charges of cruelty. The syndicated article says: "Of course there is no question that this distinguished American woman explorer is absolutely unbiased in what she has to say regarding matters in the Congo Free State." It closes with the very significant remark: "Some people may have a suspicion, however, that perhaps Mrs. Sheldon saw only as much as the Free State authorities thought well."

We have had some experience with that kind of investigating in this country, and we are pretty well prepared to weigh its value. In the light of this experience and what Christian men and women have been telling for the past fifteen years of cruelty to the natives, which cruelty, included the cutting off of hands and other mutilations for failure to bring in the required amount of rubber, we shall still believe the former reports and judge Mrs. Sheldon's investigations and report as well nigh worthless.

The history of men and events cannot be correctly written until sometime after they have passed. We cannot be trusted in judging the things of our day for the reason that it is difficult and almost impossible to free ourselves from our bias and prejudice. We are finding this especially true as regards one of our race who has passed into the beyond. He was surrounded by a large number of contemporaries, most of whom have disappeared beneath the horizon, but the memory of this one remains in full view and the fleeting years only add to the stature of his figure as it lies against the background of the past. When America fully recovers from its foolish colorphodia it will place a bust of Frederick Douglass in its Hall of Fame.

If anything further is needed to show the total unfitness of the governing power of Russia it is this from a speech of General Trepoff to the principals of the Russian high schools, in which he urged that the price of tuition be increased to 500 rubles:

"If this is done it will close the means of securing an education to the poor people, who, after receiving scholastic training, are the most ardent propagators of revolutionary ideas. There is an over production of intellectual people in Russia and their increasing number is dangerous to the welfare of the empire."

James Dalrymple, manager of the traction lines of Glasgow, Scotland, has informed the people of Chicago that successful municipal ownership can only be had by keeping such management out of politics. That is just what every one knows. It is quite probable that when the people of any municipality become sufficiently intelligent to adopt municipal ownership of public utilities they will be too intelligent to mix it up with politics.

Every State ought to have a work farm of ten thousand acres. All criminals, loafers and men who refuse to support their families should be given an opportunity to make themselves useful. Then a prison or workhouse sentence would not work a hardship on the wife or children, for, if such an institution be properly managed, the product of their labor would be sufficient to support the dependent wife and children,

Charles J. Bonaparte, the new Secretary of the Navy, has made a strong statement against Gorman's Negro policy in Maryland. We publish it on this page. It sounds very much as though Mr. Bonaparte may be another one of this new crop of politicians who know a few things and is not afraid to say them.

Uncle Joe Cannon's tariff speeches during the last campaign were of a kind that bore witness that he had not thought much on that question during the last twenty-five years or else he was playing politics of a doubtful quality. He is said to be looking toward the presidential nomination. Where is that chloroform bottle?

Japan gets its war taxes out of the profits of the dealer. We added the tax to the article where it was paid by the consumer. In the first instance the tax falls on those most able to pay, and in the other on those least able to pay. A heathen people have strange ways of doing things.

The kind of patriotism that counts the most is that which is available for use 365 days in the year—the patriotism of peace. It is the kind that puts the love of country above the success of party. It is the kind that holds the well being all above that of the few.

It is said that John Shupe Williams is to lose the floor leadership on the Democratic side of the House of Representatives. That's good news. It would be hard for the Democrats to make a change in leadership without making a decided improvement.

On June 7th a man in the Southern part of this State found a pocket-book containing $550. He left it at a benk in Crothersville, and it has since found its way into the hands of the owner. There are only a very few of us people like that left.

The command to "honor thy father and thy mother" was very touchingly shown by a man in Nebraska. He bought himself a fine automobile and the very first use he made of it was to take his aged father to the poor house.

The Smithsonian Institute suffers a loss of $10,000 through embezzlement. Suppose it were possible to know all the public stealing that is going on. "Yankee pigs" isn't so far off after all.

Thomas Dixon, author of the "Leopard's Spots," is out with a new book entitled "The Life Worth Living." The recollection of his other books makes us ask—is the book worth reading?

Admiral Togo visited Rodjestvensky in the hospital, took him some flowers and expressed the wish for his speedy recovery. What a curious old heathen that Togo is.

The affairs of the Equitable Life that have been brought to light has shown that Thos. W. Lawson came pretty nearly knowing what he was talking about.

Many people spend too much time trying to improve the outside of the head and too little on the improvement of the inside of it.

President Shea of the Teamsters Union finally succeeded in working himself into jail.

Last week the very welcome news came to us from across the water that Alfonso, King of Spain, visited the zoological garden and fed the monkeys.

We had begun to entertain hopes for Pennsylvania, but it has occurred to us that that State is to pay $25,000 for a monument to Quay.

"Why should the heathen rage and the people imagine vain things?" It isn't the heathen who is raging and imagining—its the other fellows.

It's about time for the Czar to have another crying spell. That comes much easier than doing the right thing by his subjects.

BONAPARTE VS. GORMAN.

Charles J. Bonaparte, just appointed Secretary of the Navy, has become the leader of the Republican party in Maryland, and at a meeting of the State committee declared war on Senator Gorman and the Gorman constitutional amendment for the disfranchising of 50,000 Negroes by the grandfather's clause He said:

"The Republican party has ever held, with Voltaire, that a good citizen needs no 'grandfathers,' and, like Abraham Lincoln, always believed in the common people, not in castes, or oilgarchies, or privileged classes; like Theodore Roosevelt, it demands 'a square deal' at the polls, as elsewhere, for every man, whatever his ancestry.

"If a citizen be shown by experience unfit to vote wisely and righteously let the suffrage be denied him, because of this individual unfitness, not because of his race, or tongue, or birthplace, nor because his grandfather was this or wasn't that."

Mr. Bonaparte appealed to the independent Democrats, who have heretofore turned down the Gorman machine, to join the Republicans in opposing the amendment

'The Negroes would not be the only ones to suffer by its enactment," he said. "Doubtless it would place the right of suffrage of 52,000 colored men at the mercy of our old 'ring,' but it would also leave at least 64,000 white citizens in precisely the same position; in Baltimore city it would affect 46,000 white men and only 18,000 blacks.

"Since the spider asked the fly to walk into his parlor there has never been a proposal at once so impudent and so guileful as the request of this same old 'ring' that we let them decide, through such officers of election as they have given us in the past and will give us in the future, how many of ourselves shall be allowed to vote as to how long they shall continue to rule over us."

Mr. Bonaparte declared that it was a time for playing good politics and not petty or factional politics. If it is necessary to unite with a Democratic governor or independent Democrats to defeat the amendment, he strongly advised that it be done.

OUR JOURNALISTS AND LITERARY FOLKS.

BY KENNETH REID.

A revival of the Chicago Conservator is threatened with the former pilot, Rev. D. R. Wilkins, at the helm.

Mrs. Katharine D. Tillman is the race's best known and most versatile dramatist and poet among the fairer sex.

Prof. C. C. Monroe, until lately, connected with the public schools of Evansville, Ind., has launched a teachers' journal at Lexington, Ky.

"Bruce Grit" has discovered that Roscoe Conkling Simmons, associate editor of the Colored American Magazine, is a "dead ringer" for ex-Governor Frank S. Black of New York.

Paul Laurence Dunbar's new volumn of poems is entitled "Lyrics of Sunshine and Shadow." It is issued by Dodd, Mead & Co., New York. Mr. Dunbar's health is greatly improved.

The New York Age, now an eight-column folio clothed in a wonderfully becoming new dress of tasty nonpareil and minion, is having the boom of its life. And, when the Age speaks, it says something too.

M. M. Lewey's "National Negro Business League number of the Florida Sentinel, June 2, was well gotten up with new group portraits of the officers and executive committee, and enjoyed a wide circulation.

A new race journal is again talked of to cover that rich field around the Ohio Falls, comprising the cities of Louisville, Ky., and New Albany and Jeffersonville, Ind. In these environs is found a Negro population of 75,000.

The Washington Bee was twenty-five years old, last week, and the friends and admirers of Editor W. Calvin Chase tendered him a fine banquet in celebration of the quarter centennial anniversary of his "gingery" paper.

Mrs. R. S. Rives, the talented wife of the excellent pastor of Broadway A. M. E. Zion church of Louisville, Ky., is a valued assistant to her husband in preparing the literary matter for and publishing the sprightly "Zion Methodist."

Rev. C. A. Buchanan, who formerly published the Preacher Safeguard at Kosciusko, Miss., has located at Guthrie, Oklahoma, and is issuing his paper from that place. The Mississippians did not like the brand of free speech that Mr. Buchanan dispensed in their bailiwick.

The Colored American Magazine has begun the second year of its sojourn in New York. It has attained a wonderful degree of prosperity under the shrewd management of Fred R. Moore, and compares favorably in literary merit with McClure's, Munsey's and other popular monthlies.

The reorganized staff of the Washington Record is as follows; Rev. E. W. Lampton, general manager; Jay Wesley Cromwell, editor-in chief; Thomas H. R. Clarke, associate editor; Albertus Brown, city editor; William H. Conn, circulation manager; Jesse H. Foster, advertising and job solicitor.

"Tuskegee and Its People," a new book, dealing intimately and informingly with the purposes, ideals and constructive forces of the race's greatest industrial center, will be issued this month from the press of D. Appleton & Co., New York. The work is carefully compiled by Secretary Emmett J. Scott and will contain a comprehensive introduction by Dr. Booker T. Washington.

Hopkinsville is not the biggest nor the best looking city in the productive commonwealth of Kentucky, but it is the only one that can boast of a full-fledged Negro daily. The presiding genius of this remarkable institution is Phil H. Brown, who everybody knows as "a hustler from 'way back." Brother Brown has broused over a goodly portion of the newspaper pasture of the country, but has now apparently struck the tall grass.

W. S. Blackburn, formerly an efficient clerk in the Census office at Washington, and more recently editor of The Mirror at Danville, Va., is a staff correspondent of the St. Luke Herald of Richmond with headquarters at Danville. Mr. Blackburn is secretary of the Negro Press Association of Virginia. He is a forceful and fluent writer and will be heard from ere long under the banner of The Freeman's Defense League.

"One Hundred Sermons" by Bishop Alexander Walters, "Life of Dr. J. C. Price" by Hon. John C. Daney, and "Personal Recollections of Reconstruction Days" by ex-Governor P. B. S. Pinchback are among the new books promised at an early date. They will strike a popular chord, for each of the busy men mentioned are masters of the field they propose to cover, and there is a general eagerness on the part of the public to hear from them in a form that will be permanent and guarantee their best work.

Rev. L. E. Christy, who founded the Indianapolis World in 1883, is successfully editing a high grade weekly at East St. Louis, Ill, called The Sentinel, and is also pastor of St. Luke's A. M. E. church at that point. Prof. B. F. Bowles is business manager, and Mrs. B. F. Bowles conducts an entertaining woman's department. The premier correspondent and original feature writer, R. W. Thompson, has been specially engaged to furnish a monthly letter embracing national themes under the caption of "Topics of the Times."

The Cleveland Journal, one of the very cleanest, most verile and uplifting of the race papers that come to us, is showing what young men of push, earnestness and lofty journalistic instinct can do. Every individual in the combine seems to be bubbling over with enthusiasm for the work in hand and possessed of an abiding faith in the future of the Negro on a "get busy" platform. The only rivalry apparent is the commendable one of striving to see who of the staff can contribute most to the success of the enterprise. Brothers Brascher, Blue and Fleming are certainly putting Cleveland's best foot foremost.

The Chicago Leader, sponsored by those veteran journalists, W. Allison Sweeney and Ben. D. Bagby, is a new candidate for popular favor. It is edited with Mr. Sweeney's characteristic vigor, and the well-ordered opinion page is full of ear-marks indicating that the erstwhile Indianian has lost nothing of the refreshing originality, polished diction and fearlessness of utterance that distinguished him in other years. The typography and "make-up" are unusually attractive, and the Leader seems to have come to permanently fill Chicago's long-felt want in the line of true-toned racial mouth-piece. Mr. Bagby is a capable man on the "business end."

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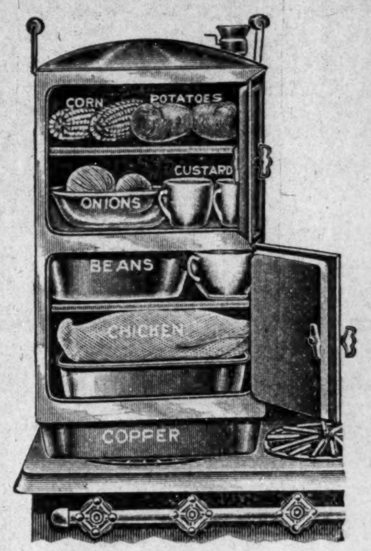

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COLUMBIA, TENN.

The sixteenth annual commencement of the colored public schools was held last Thursday morning at the school, and Friday night at the St. Paul A. M. E. church. The literary exercises which were conducted by the Kellenian Literary Society, Thursday morning were largely attended. F. J. Tyler delivered an address on "Man" which was well received. After the program the industrial features were displayed which consisted of cakes, fine needle work, suit cases and numerous other things representing the students' handicraft. On Friday night at the St Paul A. M. E. church, the largest in the city the graduating exercises were held. Dr. C. V. Roman, a prominent specialist of Nashville, Tenn. made an excellent address. The graduates were Bessie Grissom, Berea Miller, John W. Brown, Charles W, Kelly and Allen C. Nicholson.—The K. of P. Grand Lodge which meets here July 11, 12 and 13 promises to be a great affair. The committee on arrangements are making elaborate preparations for the occasion. The Riverside Park has been secured and a picnic will be given and excursions will come from all points in Tennessee.—The firm of White, Slaten & Gordon will add a grocery store to their mammoth establishment.—Mrs. Dora Miller Simmons of Chicago, is visiting her mother.—Mrs. Doda and Misses Charity and Lelia Merrill attended the Fisk commencement exercises this week —Miss Eddie and Florence Slaten have returned from Nashville.—Robert Nicholson, of Tuskegee, is in the city.—Mrs. T. A, Frierson, of New Decatur, Ala is visiting her mother.—Rev. Buck, of North Carolina is in the city.

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CINCINNATI, O.

The picnic given by the Uniform Rank, K of P. June 8, at Woodsdale Island Park was a grand success The picnic to be given by the G U O O F. promises to be one of the finest of the season. The date will be published later.—A drama "A Court of Famous Women" will be given during the week at Zion Baptist church and Edward Goodloe, 2nd tenor of the American Jubilee Singers will appear in the chorus. Henry Grandison, a favorite in musical circles will direct it, and Walter Gossette is pianist —Miss Lulu Riley of Hamilton, O was the guest of Miss E Hamilton.—Misses Alexine Crawford and Shirley Evans spent Sunday with friends at Ripley, O.—The Ecuador Club will give their picnic at Manhattan Park, June 29.

Elected Manager.

O E Duncan a former employe of The Freeman, has purchased a part interest in The Interview, a weekly published at Richmond, Ind., and has been elected manager

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The Stage

Mrs. Samuel B. Elliott sends her best regards to her husband, Samuel B. Elliott.

Pearl Moppin sends best wishes to Wallace Aggregation and Robinson Carnival Company.

The Mallory Bros. are at Hot Springs, Ark., for a three weeks' stay. Their wives are at home. On July 10, they will open at Chicago at the Olympic Theatre for a short vaudeville engagement.

Laurence Chenault, leading tenor with the Smart Set Company for the past two seasons was a welcomed visitor in Indianapolis Sunday. Mr. Chenault and wife will be seen with the Williams & Walker forces the coming season.

The Hottest Coon in Dixie Company wishes to be remembered to all friends. Business has been phenomenal. The ghost walks regularly and sometimes ahead of his cue: The prospects are a long and prosperous season.

Notes from Concert and Band with Van Amburg Shows:—We are still in old Kentucky. Business is good; everybody is well. Vaughn & Mosby are making a hit singing, "How To Spell Opossum Pie' and "When the Band is Playing Dixie."

Notes from the Sunny South, the colored attraction with the Monarch Amusement Company:—We are at Trinidad, Colo., this week. Everybody is in the best of health and all send best wishes to friends and the profession. Hello to Joe Ravisse, Joe Dokes and Nina Smith. Next week at Pueblo, Colo,

Notes from Macon Ga.—The pass word is "Meet me at the Ocmulgee Park." The Prices played Sunday night to standing room only with a sacred concerl and moving pictures. Madam Price sung some beautiful solos. C. J. Johnson, the wonder in his aerial acrobatic feats open at the Ocmulgee Park. He is the only man of his race doing five novelty acts. He is setting a mighty pace.

Notes from Dr: Ferdon's Quaker Medicine Company:—We are still in Kansas City and doing an excellent business. Dr. Ferdons has opened a large Quaker Home and Sanitorium at a very large cost where he will treat his many patients, J. R. Johnson and C. Dotson have been sent to Dr. Ferdon's No. 2 Company at Sioux City Ia. Ray Trusty, who has been starring with Frank Mahara's Show the past season has joined us. Dr. Ferdon was presented with a very handsome Elks' cane by the Elks Lodge, No. 26 of Kansas City. It is inlaid with twenty-seven diamonds, Regards to company No. 2.

LeRoy Bland's California Notes:—The weather is fine in glorious California and everybody is happy, "the Gewalks" especially. Lonnie Hawkins is trying to get rid of that $1500. Clarence Estelle intends building a new colored vaudeville house at 'Frisco and the plans are in the hands of the architect. Lew Pursell will remodel his place. Sam King will build a new home this summer. Fred Vaughn sends regards to friends. Williams & Stevens are at Ftsher's Theatre; Kemp Comedy Four at Oakland; Kelly & Davis at Portland, Ore. The Hatches are at the Novelty and LeRoy Bland at the Oberom.

Brown & Brown, Harry and Frank have in the last eight weeks been the headline act on each bill they have played. They are booked for seven weeks ahead at first class vaudeville theatres. A Michigan paper says: "There are cartoonists and cartoonists, and a large number of persons who say they sing tenor on the vaudeville stage, but the best of both that has been on a Muskegon stage for a long time is the team of Brown & Brown, two Indian college boys from the Butler Indian school, who are part of the opening bill at the Lake Michigan park theatre this week. One of the boys sings sweetly in a rich full tenor voice, while his brother, with swift strokes of colored crayons draws pictures, many of which have real artistic merit."

Notes from Wolfcales Vaudeville Company, en route with Sells & Downs Show: We are in our eighth week and meeting with great success. George Beckom is making a hit singing, "Shame On You" and 'Mormon Coon" while the Bruce's are successful in "Big Indian Chief" "Alexander," "Three Women to Every Man" and "Rambling Sam." Joe Jordan is singing "Make a Fuss" and "Baltimore" and Toney Brown is scoring a hit with "Hannah Lee" and "Dan Dan, Daniel" and John H. Jones is doing well with "Rag Time in the Moon." The company is well and sends regarps to all friends. Our orchestra is composed of Robert H. Gant, leader and violin; James Wolfscale, 2nd. violin; Will Lacey, cornet; Ben Everitt, trombone; W. D. Hendrich. bass drum and Charles Holloway, trap.

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When a murderess or notorious woman
Calls, sure that all is serene—
Will each manager send her word,
"Impossible to be seen."

When a manager is living in clover,
Refusing "Oscar Wilde" plays
What use has he for Lizzie Borden,
Or women of low, rude ways?

It wonld do them but very little credit,
Not to be honest and loyal,
Respecting good peoples' desires
By not using Tainted Toil,

—SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

THE ANONYMOUS CRITIC.

LIVERPOOL ENG., June 3, 1905.

DEAR EDITOR:—You will I trust, pardon me for troubling you with my opinion, which may not be of any nterest, but as ridicule has been made of the colored profession in the name of criticism, I think it right that those who think differently should also express their views. The colored performers that have made good, stood the test and are continuing to do so, should not be menaced by a so-called critic's atrocious attack to satisfy his own desire to gain a little press notoriety.

I have read his comments and doggerel, to the disgust of the learned puplic and the cry is down with this base falsifier, who is trying to attract public attention and gain notoriety at the expense of the world's greatest Negro artists, who have brought the standard of Negro Amusements in the theatrical field from the gutter minstrel to to legitimate Negro comedy, namely, Sam Lucas, Billy Kersands, Charles and Ben Hunn, Bob Kelly, Tom McIntosh, Jesse Shipp, Ernest Hogan, Williams & Walker, Bob Cole & Billy Johnson, Mallory Bros. and Billy McClain, who has the credit of promoting and exploiting more successes than any other Negro living and is still doing the same thing in England, only they are white and his work is appreciated to the highest by both press and public.

Epps W. Sargnnt fared the death of a rodent and so will this incipient parasite cut a gash in his own throat, if he doesn't change his views and use the public sentiment. He should not be encouraged by the colored press, to gull the public and turn them against a profession that is greatly encouraged and approved of the world over. This self-same would-be anonymous critic has tried every way, form and fashion to enter the profession and has been a failure, as Russia has with Japan. It has been such a severe blow to him, that he has taken this method to get what he terms as his own back, at the expense of people that are worthy of the r hire. He has written to every colored show in the world trying to secure a position, but his pussy-cat ways and mannerisms have been a barrier to his ambition. It is always the best to see that our own house doesn't leak before we tell others. So see that yon get a shingle on your roof, Mr. Sylvester Russell, alias Rojestvensky Johnson, the man that knows everything unill it comes to a test then he takes to the woods

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Although "king of his race," the play bills will say, we have no monarchy so the bills must be wrong. If there are any kings among us "every darkey" is a king. But of Hogan, it may be said that as a comedian and star he can shine pre-eminently. He has already. And, so once again, if time is kind to him, and our patience will not weary, we shall soon see the man of original ideas. dancing in the sunlight in the center of a new luxurious garden of damsels, darkies, daises and dandelions.

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So the better class of colored girls who have formerly avoided the footlights can now be assured of a safe protected position. This same Ernest Hogan of whom we have been speaking, without surmise, is the greatest mechanical genius of any actor of his race, his original creadions of negroism have been more numerona and lifelike than any other bow-legged hero's of his kind. When we take into consideration his life's history, from the cradle, where he cried so loud, up to the present noise, it is no wonder that all eyes will be open to see him, all ears will be listening to hear him, and all the bald heads of the front row will be there on the opening night to honor him. Limit of time and space, only, will prevent me from giving my readers a more searching biography of the duplex role of comedy and sensationalism that Mr. Hogan has passed through.

We briefly remember how he used to chime in quartet calliopes in minstrel shows out in the hidden west and how manager Voelckel of Black Patti's Troubadours discovered him and featured him with the show. We remember how the gallery boys at the new Metropolis Theatre up in Harlem, New York. screamed when they discovered that Hogan was colored instead of Irish. That day in New York was the establishment of his name. Today it is his fame that makes him the talk of Gotham the most noted city upon the globe. During one of the last New York race riots Hogan "mixed in" and was chased for his life, only to see himself in the newspapers next morning. Soon after this event he sailed for Honolulu where he had a disagreement with Prince Cupid who challenged him for a duel. When the date was set Mr. Hogan was back in New York rehearsing for a tour as leading featnred star with the "Smart Set" company.

After a season with this company in which he made a complete distinct comedy success, he produced a one act farce in vaudeville entitled "Missionary Man." His latest escapade while appearing in this playlet in California was to be invited to retire from a race track one sunny afternoon because one of his sporting friends had laughed too loud and hearty. This was too much, so Hogan threatened suit on the strength of his five hundred dollars per week salary. But all the sensational features of Mr. Hogan's career are things of the past, now. He has cut them all out. He comes before the public this season happy and reformed as a gentleman of refinement aud a finished actor. The company, which will number sixty people will be under the direction of W. . Lykens, with B. Butler Boyle as business representative. The costumes will be magnificent and the scenery startling. I now commend the public-at-large, the new stellar star, the unbleached American, the new Jupiter of a new jubilee, Mr. Ernest Hogan Cheers!

SYLVESTER RUSSELL

HAMILTON, O.

Rev. Belle spent a few days at the conference at Wilberforce University.—Mr. Sampson and family of Clarksburg, Va., spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Riley.—The Busy Bee Society entertained Mr. and Mrs. Sampson last Monday evening.—The Daughters of Jerusalem gave a social Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Murphy.

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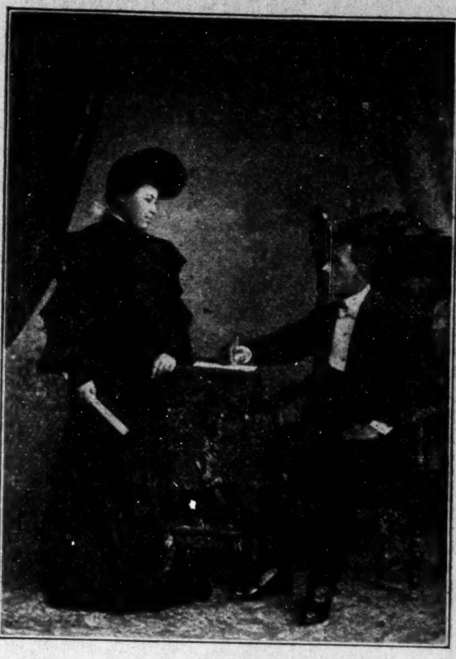

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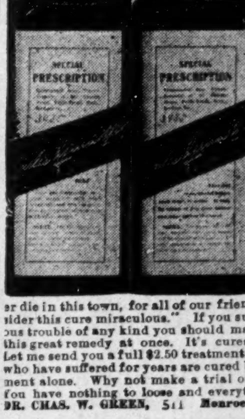

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The children of Ethiopia, bowed by the weight of centuries of toil and contumely, of wrongs and woes, of hopelessness and despair bent to their tasks and with the rise and stoop of their bodies poured out their rhythmic cadences of faith, hope and charity throughout all. And, it is from these songs of our fathers that their children of the past generation, the children of Fisk and her children's children have received the inspiration that has imbued them with courage to have faith that right may win, hope that right will prevail and charity for all those deed rooted impediments that divide man from man and make him unmerciful to his brother.

These are critical days in the history of the Negro race in America We seem to have come to the parting of the ways and a crucial test is imminent. The question is: what shall the end be for a race that within a year has been called "a menace to the republic," "a race with a minimum progress and a maximum regress," and "a cancerous blot in a fair land" So persistent is the onslaught that history seems repeating itself and the weary days of the reconstruction and anti-slavery period revive when the discouraged workers faltered in their attempts to pave the way for the helpless freedman. Well nigh hopeless they bitterly voiced the despair that momentarily seemed to be crushing their hope for the future.

Frederick Douglass, "the noblest Roman of them all," wavered in his purpose and was only spurred to renewed effort and reawakened hope by the ringing voice of the sainted Quakeress when she asked, "Frederick, is God dead?"

Awed by the implied reproof for his lack of faith, Mr. Douglass' mind reverted to youthful days—back over the full days of freedom, over the days of escape, the days of enslavement, the days of faint light and despair, when an unlettered boy hope first dawned at the singing of the slave song, 'Run to Jesus." Like a flash came the reechoing song with its old inspiriting influence:

"Run to Jesus,
He will be your dearest,
And will help us to the end."

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And there in the old hospital barracks where many of the brave soldiers had passed on to reward began the light and life of thousands. As has been said "the officers' quarters become the home of an earnest band of teachers; the sick wards were filled with hundreds of eager children; the dead house was turned into a store room of supplies for the naked and hungry. And there was almost pathetic romance in the work, when a pile of rusty handcuffs and fetters from the abondoned slave pen of the city came into the possession of the school and was sold as old iron and the money invested in the purchase of Testaments and spelling books."

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"I'm troubled, I'm troubled, I'm troubled in mind,
If Jesus don't help me I surely will die."

And again with the song that melted the stoniest heart:

"Nobody knows the trouble I see, Lord,
Nobody knows like Jesus"

When the last note of these songs of tribulation was borne away, the voices of the singers told the hearers that faith deeply rooted had vanished the despair of the first refrain.

When the song "I've Just Come From the Fountain," sung in quicker, lighter note lifted the singers out into the radiant light of hope renewed, hope strengthened, hope realized, hope borne into glad fruition rang out with victorious note in "Children, We All Shall be Free," "Wait a Little While. Then We'll Sing the New Song," and "Walk Together, Children, Don't You Get Weary." Then the hushed song of whispering comfort, advice, succor under affliction—one that seemed to breathe the spirit of a time of distress and woe:

"Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus."

The deeper prayers for aid seemed to spur each hearer to unite with the sufferer's plea for help under the burden, when they sang with touching melody: "Save Me, Lord, Save Me," "Show Me the Way," and "Keep Me From Sinking Down." Never was more doleful cry, more pathetic wail or sadder entreaty made of a despairing soul in its plea for help than in the opening line of the last named song, 'Oh Lord," the heart rendering appeal to a higher power, then—"Oh, My Lord"—that emphasizes the almost despairing belief in a personal Saviour and "Oh, my good Lord," showing the Father in his righteous justice—then the outburst of the pent up soul in the cry, "Keep me from sinking down."

What encouragement to the patiently waiting slaves had been the faith songs that had banished the sight of the auction block, the separation of mother and child, father and mother, sister and brother as they toiled and chanted of the old deliverance of the Jewish children:

"Isaac a ransom while he lay
Upon the altar bound,
Moses, an infant cast away,
By Pharaoh's daughter found.
Didn't old Pharaoh get lost, get lost?
Didn't old Pharaoh get lost in the Red sea?"

Then listen to the answer given to the cavilling soul:

"Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel!
Deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel?
Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel?
And why not every man?
He delivered Daniel from the lion's den,
Jonah from the body of the whale
And the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace,
And why not every man?"

How I wish it were possible to give the peculiar musical annotation that accompanied the expressive words of the song that seemed to consider the long years of waiting and toiling before the promised year of jubilee, but to hold out the hope of the promise of relief.

"Keep a inching along,
Jesus will come by'n bye—
Keep a inching along, like a poor inch worm,
Jesus will come by'n bye.
We'll inch and inch and inch along
Jesus will come by'n bye,
And inch and inch till we get home,
Jesus will come by'n bye."

One song of victory told of the passing out from the wanderings in the wilderness into the land of freedom. It had long been sung by the slave fathers and mothers who gave God the glory for the day they believe would dawn—their sons and daughters on their mission of love that made possible the education of others of the race, sang the song of victory to the people of America and Europe in full realization:

"Oh, brethren, rise and shine and give God the glory, glory;
Rise and shine and give God the glory, glory,
Rise and shine and give God the glory, for the year of jubilee.

The Fisk Jubilee singers gave to the world the songs of our fathers and for seven years interpreted these soul melodies that had been pent up and had burst forth during two hundred and forty years of captivity. There were few songs of despair that awakened the smoldering sympathy of the world but the larger number were the songs of hope and faith that reached the heart of two continnents and poured into the treasury of Fisk University $150,000 that erected Jubilee hall, the largest monument of brick and mortar that has been raised in honor of those pioneer sons and daughters of freedmen.

Up in Connecticut on the banks of Long Island Sound stands a magificent country home. Every morning, noon and sunset from a tower near by you may hear clear, sweet notes of chimes ringing one after another the Scottish airs that come rapturously to the ears of the gray-haired man who deeply cherished in his memory the songs of the blue bells and heather of old Scotland, his native home. Many years ago he came to America penniless, friendless and homeless. By thrift and economy he is today one of the multi-millionaires of our country but the songs of his fatherland that rang in his youthful memory and inspired him to success, those he has perpetuated in the silver chimes that ring out over the greensward of his adopted country.

The Italian or Swede, the German or Irish alien receives a sweet solace for the rebuffs that he meets in the hurry and bustle of his new beginning in America if he perchance hears on the street a song of his native land.

Among the sacred records of the world are the treasured songs of faith, songs of deliverance, songs of victory, songs of thanksgiving of the chosen people of God, who not alone were captives but as cattered race. "A hissing and a by-word among nations" If, in the wisdom of the Most High, nature has so constituted the civilized races of the world that the music of the fatherland moves many to their best effort in the land of their adoption, that the strains of their nativity inspires resolution, fortitude, courage under difficulties, what to the sons and daughters of freedmen should be the songs of our fathers?

To them they sustained trust, confidence, hope—life itself When they were sung in those weary days, every note gave utterance to unborn thought. It was nature's expression. Majors and minors came as despair and hope rose or fell in the singer's mind. The peculiar reversion of accent in the measures came simply. Words and music voiced together the deepest feeling. That was soul music. It lives today remodeled to suit the popular airs, the success of which lies possibly in the fact that the singular turns of the beautiful, catching melodies had their origin in close touch with nature's heart.

Some of these ex-slaves, repeating these songs to the world, lived over again the old life and its association; but coupled with the thanksgiving for freedom was the purpose of obtaining means for educating thousands of their fellows, and there was a hallowed power in the songs.

To those who sat under the spell of the songs within the walls of Fisk University and who sang them under new influences and new impulses, amid new surroundings, they told a wondrous story, not only of past adversities, but of new-born opportunities made possible through the efforts of the Jubilee Singers out among strangers.

In later years, the young recruits entered upon their life work bearing the standard of a better life among the waiting millions. The seed had been sown that perpetuated the spirit of the songs in their labors as they faced ignorance and superstition, so closely allied to the enslaved bodies and minds of former years, and the songs of our fathers had still a message of hope to bring for final deliverance.

Year after year Fisk University has sent out her messengers inspired by the spirit songs, rich with added significance, that has entered into the varying conditions attendant upon the status of the race in this country. Four hundred and eighty-one young men and women have entered the ranks of workers under the profound conviction that, "He hath sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat" Some have taken the message as ministers of the gospel, two hundred and seventy teachers are settled over the South; doctors, lawyers, farmers, business men are measuring up to their opportunities of educating, helping others wherever their lot is cast, believing the old song that they must "Rise and shine for Thy light is a' comin'."

Fisk University, standing to day the oldest school in America for the education of the Negro, is still pleading for means to meet her expenses in affording greater advantages to young men and women, so much needed all over the Southland, to respond to the cry of the helpless ones still asking: "Brother, have you come to show us the way?"

Many of the first band of singers who put into the brick and mortar of Fisk one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, have long ago joined the heavenly choir but the four hundred and eighty-one graduates of the University who have entered the warfare are perpetuating the old songs in their lives, and in the Great Beyond will bring home the priceless soul, trophies won from the bondage of sin and ignorance.

One hundred years ago the United States paid France, or Napoleon Bonaparte, two and one half cents an acre for six hundred million acres of land. To day fifteen million inhabit the valleys and mountains, and fourteen states and territories have part in the National Government where France gave over to the United States herds of buffaloes and cities of praire dogs for fifteen million dollars. This St. Louis Exposition this World's Fair, commemorates Thomas Jefferson's purchase one hundred years ago, and all the nations of the earth have come to celebrate the creation of fourteen commonwealths Says Mr. Stedman, in his "Hymn of the West,"

"Thou whose high archways shine most clear,
Above the plenteous Western plain,
Thine ancient tribes from round the sphere
To breathe its quickening air are fain;
And smiles the sun
To see made one
Their brood throughout earth's greenest space,
Land of the new and lovelier race."

One hundred years ago Tennessee was wrapped in the hazy mists of the Southwest Territory. The founders of Fisk University were unborn, but the mothers and fatners of the sons and daughters of Fisk were toiling, patiently toiling and enduring; hoping and praying for the year of Jubilee.

Fisk Univeasity Day! Looking back thirty years, what does it commemorate? The sacrifices, loving devotion and belief in the possibilities of a despised people of four sons of the West. Then the perpetuatton of the work through the songs created from the life's blood of our forefathers. How have they helped us to interpret the soul stirring strains of the masters? What to us would mean these grand, sweet songs, if nature's simpler strains had been unsung? Singing out of the past, what a helpful message the songs have brought us when we have been ready to falter and shrink from the conflict! What inspiration have they been to us in directing others to a better way!

In recent days, when pulpit and press seem to be vieing with each other in depicting the darker side of the shield in the progress of the race, to those of us who have been working and trusting for a wedespread dissemination of the principles of right living, the old songs still ring true—

"Fight on and you shall gain the victory,
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DAYTON, O.

Thomas Brown, of 114 Sycamore street, age 37 years, died of typhoid fever at St. Elizabeth Hospital recently. His widow, three daughters and other relatives survive him. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.—Atlantic Bridges age one year and eight months, died May 30.

The Freeman's Headquarters.

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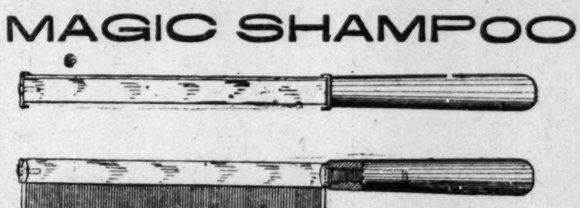

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RACE GLEANINGS

Howard University has graduated over 400 Negro lawyers.

The Connecticut legislature has finally passed a civil rights bill and discrimination against persons on account of color is now a felony.

The Negro Baptists of this country have 16 996 organized churches. 16,554 ordained ministers, 2,110,547 members and $14,376,372 worth of church and school property.

John S. Durham, assistant attorney to the Spanish Claims Commission with headquarters at Havana, Cuba, is spending his vacation with friends in New York and Philadelphia.

Among the hospitalities planned for the National Business League at New York in August is an outing and old-fashioned barbecue at Glenwood Park, by special invitation of the park association.

With the appointment of W. H. Anderson and Conrad Bacon as bailiffs of the United States Court at Richmond, Va., to succeed two white men, (removed) the entire roster of bailiffs there is made up of Negroes,

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Hillsboro, Ohio colored men have organized the Afro-American Enterprise Stock Company with the following officers: J. M. Atchison, president; James Clark, vice-president; D. H. Young, secretary; S. Bolden, assistant secretary; Prof. Green, treasurer.

The A. and M. College at Greensboro, N C is erecting a new dormitory from plans drawn by Adam Watson, director of the mechanical department, who is a graduate of the school. The building is to be three stories high and will have forty-eight rooms, with steam heat and electric lights.

John G. Jones, president of the Frederick Douglass Memorial Exposition of North America, has written Governor Hanly of Indiana, asking him to appoint a prominent colored man of the state to attend the exposition, that is to be held in Washington, D. C. from May 1 to July 2, 1906.

Dr. M. A. Majors, of Chicago has founded a system of reducing flesh, curing obesity, dropsy and all forms of stomach and liver complaints. He recently opened a fine office with modern appliances, in the down town district. Dr. Majors has patients in Illinois, Oregon, Utah, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, California and Texas.

The Second Baptist Lyceum at Washington, D. C, a literary organization and debating forum of national proportions, easily ranking with the famous Bethel Literary and Historical Association, has elected John P. Green, of Ohio, as its president for the ensuing year. Some of his most successful predecessors in the chair have been Prof. Jesse Lawson, of New Jersey, R. W. Thompson, of Indiana, A. W. Scott, of North Carolina, and Lieut. R. E, S. Toomey, of Tennessee.

Booker T. Washington's autobiography "Up from Slavery" is to be published in Chinese this year. Doubleday. Page & Co., the publishers, have just received a letter from Cheng Han the Chinese translator, stating that he had managed to get the illustrations to be used in the Russian edition, which is ready to be brought out. The Chinese edition is to be printed at Shanghai. It is interesting to note in this connection that from "Up from Slavery" has already been published in German, East India, Holland, Spain, Poland, England Norway and France.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The Clay Street Public Schools at Thomasville, Ga. held their closing exercises, June 4. The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Rev. P. F. Curry, D. D. who impressed upon the minds of his audience the necessity of "making their own chair in life, if they wished to sit comfortably." On Tuesday night, Miss K. L. Hamilton, the primary teacher and her pupils gave a very creditable concert, and on Wednesday night, Miss E L Robinson of the same department presented a program. The grammar and high school department, conducted by Rev. S. S. Broadnax and Principal H. H. Thweatt, gave a fine class exhibition Friday night at the First African Baptist church the graduating exercises were held. The orations by the two young men were somewhat above the average high school oration. The special feature of the occasion was an address by Prof J. C. Calloway, an instructor at Tuskegee.

IS BACK FROM WACO.

Rev. D. S. Moten Tells of Work Accomplished at Recent Meeting.

The pastor of Allen Chapel, A M E church, corner First and Elm streets, Rev. D. S. Moten, B. D , Ph D . has returned to the city from Waco, where he attended the trustee board, educational congress and the various closing exercises of the commencement week at Paul Quinn College.

Rev. Moten is one of the active trustees of Paul Quinn College, Waco, as well as of Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio, his alma mater for which place he will soon leave to attend a trustee board meeting. He states the commencement was the foremost in all the previous history of the college

Ten strong young people graduated representing various departments, the scientific department having the larger representation. Certificates etc., were given to many.

The educational congress was a success intellectually and financially. The college treasurer, Rev T. C Denham, reported that for the year $12,384 had been raised for educational purposes by the conferences for education of the A. M. E church in Texas, which is doing such a noble work for the public schools of the State.

The following delayed message speaks for itself:

PAUL QUINN COLLEGE,
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To the Graduating Class of the High School Department, School No. 11, Principal I. M. Terrell, A. M. Fort Worth, Tex.:

Most cordial congratulations to you all, and all concerned, including the twentieth century legislature of grand old Texas, upon your graduation this evening. According to motto, you "Make Haste Slowly," you will do your work surely Sempiternus Deus vobiscum omnibus semper.

D. S. MOTEN.

The Dallas district of which Allen Chapel, Fort Worth, is a part, leads the State in education money, which is $12,384 from the nineteen districts of the four conferences in the State, Allen Chapel, Fort Worth, leads the Dallas district churches and the State in conversions, educational and missionary money. The college well honored itself when it conferred the degree of Ph. D upon Rev Dr. Moten at the recent college commencement.—Ft. Worth Evening Telegram.

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Bishop Salters, of the A. M. E. church spoke to a large and appreciative audience Monday night, June 5th, at Bethel A. M. E. church. The several solos that were rendered on the occassion were excellent —The Carroll hotel waiters met last week and organized what is to be known as the "Carroll Waiters Pleasure club" Following are the names of the officers: Frank Plump, president; Will Young, vice president; H F. Foster, secretary; D. C. Frisby, assistant secretary; Will Griffin, treasurer; Joe Goss Gilbert, sergeant-at-arms. J. W. Redmond, the headwaiter of the Carroll hotel, was made honorary member of the club. They will give their first entertainment soon.

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R W. THOMPSON.

Dr. R. S. Rives, editor of the Zion Methodist, estimates that the colored people of Louisville, Ky., spend $360,000 a year for strong drink. Whew!

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It is evident that there is work for a reformer when statistics show that the death rate from consumption among American Negroes between the ages of 15 and 44 is 584 per 100,000, while the rate for native whites between the same ages is only 163 per 100,000 The problems of sanitary housing, temperance and pure food are the burden of the century and press insistently for solution.

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Before finding fault with those who are holding the reins of leadership ask yourself the question, "What am I doing to remedy the ills that confront us?"

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The attempt of the assinine New York Telegraph to poke fun at the Drury Opera Company's artistic performance of "Carmen" was a most lugubrious imitation of real humor, and was equalled in silliness only by its fool report of Congressman White's banquet to the Pen and Pencil club in Washington some three years ago.

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It is no more than right that the Boston Guardian should give Prof. W. H Ferris a "hand" once in a while. Those on the inside understand why.

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The Negro would be better off spiritually if his churches were more judiciously distributed. They are much too thick in some places and painfully thin in others. Instead of multiplying churches where there is more than enough already, the race should establish business houses and labor for a firmer material standing, which is really christianity's most faithful ally.

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Portland, Oregon, is lucky in escaping undesirable Negro immigration. With a colored population of 1 500 not a single member of our race is seen upon the well-crowded city rock-pile.

COLUMBIA, TENN.

A unique wedding took place at an early hour last Saturday morning which was of much social interest. Louise Gordon, a girl of 14 years, was married to Lawrence Washing. Both are well known in the city.—Rev. C. A. Ward, who has been pastor of Mt. Lebanon Baptist church for a number of years, preached his farewell sermon last Sunday night to a large audience.—Miss Hallie Dickerson will leave in a few weeks for Monteagle Springs for her health.—Miss Ida Halfacre and Odis Buford have returned from the Normal Institute.—Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Purdy have returned to their home in Shelbyville, Tenn.—Prof. Mack Webster's school came to a close last week. Appropriate exercises were held Wednesday and Thursday nights at the First Baptist church —Prof. A. T. Morrell has been elected principal of the Macedonia puble school for the next term.—Rev. Dr. J. A. Davis, P. E., delivered a fine lecture on the subject "Who and What," last Thursday night at the Glade Street Chapel.—The Columbia Giants played a series of games with the Fayetteville Sluggers this week.—Children's Day will be observed tomorrow at the St. Paul church.—Mrs. Lucile Stockard gave a concert last Tuesday night at Spring Hill and Thursday night at Mt. Pleasant.—Ed. F. Davis, headwaiter at the Bethel House, is an ardent admirer of the Freeman, especially the waiter's department.—John Webster has gone to the springs.

CAIRO, ILL.

The A. M. E. church held its 32d anniversary festivities the last week in May. Able speakers from all over the State were present, including presiding elders of each district —The Yates Woman's Club celebrated its national anniversary last Sunday at the A. M. E church with an appropriate program — Miss Fannie C. Jones of 1100 Washington avenue and Mr. Lester Perkins of 17th street were married May 29th.

UNIONTOWN, PA.

George Ditcher, an old soldier and a member of the G. U. O. O. F., died May 28 and was buried the following Tuesday from the St. Paul A. M. E. church.—Mrs. Clarence Handcord has returned to her home in Virginia —It has been reported that Florence Allen, the mail carrier will go to Washington in September.—Levy Smith is able to be out after a few days' illness.

HAMILTON, O.

Mrs. M. J. Alexander attended the Woman's Day meeting at Troy, O. At the afternoon session she read a paper "Woman's Calling" and at night "How Shall We Improve the W. M. M. S." Mrs. C F. Hogans was elected delegate to the Sunday School conference at Oxford, O —Mr. and Mrs. Poston and family attended the funeral of his father —Mrs. Amanda Jefferson of Cincinnati will spend a few days with friends in the city.

CARBON HILL ALA.

The Woman's Home Mission had their annual sermon Sunday, June 4, which was quite a financial success. The K. of P. Lodge has just added several members to its roll which makes it the strongest lodge in this part of the state.

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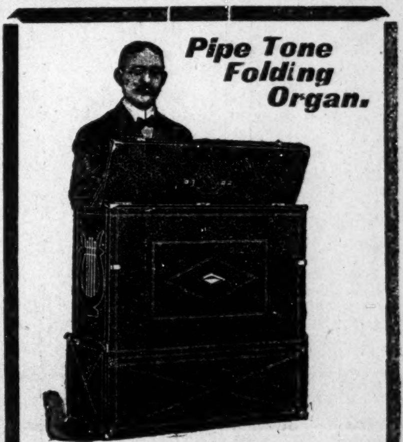

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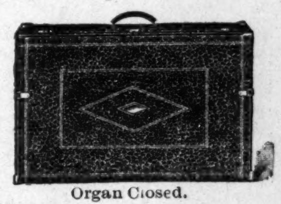

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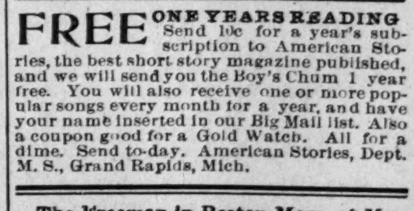

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Clarence Johnson, of Cincinnati, was in the city Sunday.

All society uses Woodbine Perfumes Blodau's drug store.

Mrs. Josephine Frazier is ill at her home in Center street.

The second annual reception at the Ladies Exchange, Thursday evening of last week was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Scott are in the city for permanent residence.

R. M. Brewer and wife left Thursday for a two weeks' stay in Missouri.

Clarence Grubbs left for Hamilton, Neb., Wednesday for an indefinite stay.

O. H. Rowlett of Louisville. Ky. is visiting his mother in Tremont avenue.

Miss Mamie Page, of Cleveland, O, is visiting her brother in Linden street.

James Adams is employed in the Pullman car service, running out of Chicago.

Mrs. Mary Jackson and daughter will spend the summer with Mr. Jackson at French Lick.

St. Phillips Mission will hold services at the usual hour Sunday. A class of fourteen will be confirmed.

Mrs. W. Morris of Louisville spent the week in the city, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Furniss.

Dr. Shaffer, pastor of Bethel church has returned from his western trip and reports excellent conditions in that section.

WANTED.—Girl for general housework; family of two. No washing. Must furnish references Apply 2228½ N. Delaware street New phone 7775.

"David, The Shepherd Boy" will be presented at Tomlinson Hall, June 19, by Mrs G. A. Ratliffe and son, of Anderson, Ind., assisted by a chorus of sixty voices.

The George Downing Woman's Home Missionary Society of Simpson Chapel will meet with Miss Arnita Bolden, 1430 North Missouri street, Friday afternoon, June 23

Golden Crown Lodge, No. 34, F. & A. M. of Shelbyville, Ind, will celebrate St. John's day tomorrow. Visitors from the surrounding towns are expected to be present.

A delightful picnic was given by The Bachelors at Broad Ripple Park last Monday night. Two chartered cars transfered the party from the Terminal Station at 6:30 p. m.

Miss Bessie Coleman, a teacher of Hardinsville, Ky., is seriously ill at St. Paul, Minn. Miss Coleman is a sister of Mrs. Hattie McMurray of this city and is quite a favorite visitor here.

Mrs. Emma Woods Boger, of Chicago through her attorneys, T. Webster Brown, of Chicago, and James H Lott, of this city, has brought suit against the estate of G. W. Payne for $900 for services.

The Haughville Methodist church will hold a rally June 25. Rev. Sidney Penick is pastor. The public is invited to be present. On June 21, Rev. Wood will present his scenery of "The Pillow of Light."

"The Glory of the Latter House Will Be Greater Than the Former" is the subject of Rev. H. E. Stewart's sermon tomorrow morning at Allen Chapel. At 8 p m he will deliver a sermon on a popular theme, with illustrations.

The Forum and The Pluto Clubs will celebrate their first anniversary with three days' recreation among the hills Orange County, Ind., commencing June 19 Music will be furnished by Prof. Tob. Brown's full orchestra of Louisville, Ky.

The marriage of Miss Ella Fleming of this city and Mr. John Todd, of Cleveland, O, took place Sunday morning at 9:30, at the Second Christian church. Rev. H. L Herod pronounced the ceremony in the presence of relatives and a few friends.

The Kenmore Club elected the following officers Tuesday evening: Eugene Williams, president; Thomas Genius, vice-president, Mr Clemons, secretary; Edward Pickens, treasurer. The officers will give a smoker next Tuesday evening at Odd Fellows Hall, for the members and friends.

Mrs. Mary Patterson, mother of Captain Patterson and Ermine English, died recently at Minneapolis where she went about a year ago for the betterment of her health. She was brought home for burial which took place Thursday of last week, Mrs. English who lives in Minneapolis is stopping with Mrs. Finn in Paca street

The commencement of the Manual Training school was held Monday evening at Tomlinson hall, among the graduating class were the following colored students: Sterling R. McElwaine, James H. Wilson, Wendell J. Smith and Ella R. Miller. Shortridge High school's graduating exercises were held Wednesday evening at English Opera house. Of the four graduates Samuel Taylor was the only colored boy in the class. Misses Nettie Walker, Delia Broyles and Irene Thurman also graduated.

The reception tendered the Topaz Cluster by twenty-two ladies, who at different times had enjoyed the hospitality of that organization, was a very pleasant affair, last Friday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Wells, in West Twelfth street. Whist was the feature. Prizes of cut glass and haviland china were given by the hostesses and guests. The hours were from 3 to 8 p. m. and the rooms were profusely decorated with cut flowers. The guest prizes were won by Mesdames Walker Brown, Bertha Turner and Roxie Bell. the hostesses prizes by Mesdames Will Brown, Lucas Willis and Edwin Stokes

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The Negro Folk-Lore Concert and May Festival will be an annual affair for the benefit of the institutional work of the Second Christian church. Looking toward this end, a concert company composed of the best singers in the city is being formed This company besides giving recitals for the above stated interest will form the neucleus for the annual May Festival.

Bishop Grant in the City.

The many friends of Bishop Grant will be glad to learn of his almost entire recovery from his recent illness. He attended the commencement exercises at Wilberforce this week. He will come to the city today to be the guest of Dr. Shaffer for few days and will preach at Bethel church Sunday morning.

Lecture At Bethel Church, June 22.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, of Washington, D, C, one of the leading women of the race will lecture at Bethel church, Thursday evening, June 22 Mrs. Terrell has appeared before highly educated women of the white race and has received commendation of the highest character.

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This lecture is under the auspices of the Woman's Improvement Club of this city and indications point to a large attendance. Mrs. Terrell never fails to please as the comments of those who have heard her will prove. Do not fail to hear her.

Head And Second Waiters Banquet.

The head and second waiters of this city were splendidly entertained at their second annual banquet given at Butler's Cafe, last Monday evening. Covers were laid for twenty. George L Knox, of The Freeman, who is an honorary member of the National Benefit Association of Head and Second and Side Waiters of America, made an address. Toasts were given by the following head waiters: J. Gibbs, Grand Hotel; J. B. Goins, Columbia Club; E. Bybee, White's Cafe; J C Knox, English Hotel; Ed Smith, The Linden, and the following second waiters: F. Johnson, Claypool; John Proctor, Denison Hotel. In behalf of the merchant, H L Sanders, manufacturer of waiter's jackets, and Elwood C. Knox, business manager of The Freeman for the Press, responded. K. B. Black, headwaiter at The Denison was toast master.

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For Mayor of the city, Frank D. Stalnaker, subject to the decision of the Republican primary, June 30, '05. Mr. Stalnaker is a well known business man here. He is a member of the firm of Lilly & Stalnaker, on Washington-st., the hardware people. He is a good business man and if nominated will make us one of the best mayors that we ever had and will be mayor for all people alike.

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Commencement of the Branch Normal —Citizens Give a Grand Banquet —Judge Gibbs Present.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.—Hon. J. Madison Vance, the distinguished citizen and lawyer of New Orleans, who has won a name in the South as an orator. lawyer and leader delivered the commencement address to the Branch Normal College class on June 6th. The college was crowded and the heat intense but the speaker held his audience in perfect command and his address was frequently applauded. The exercises were the best ever held under Prof. Fisher, and creditably did the speakers impress the large audience Promptly at 8 o'clock prayer was offered and Miss Barnett, directress of the choir, motioned her baton and the choir began to beautifully sing "Glory to Israel's God." The singing throughout the exercises was plessing. Miss Mattie Benson presided at the piano.

The six speakers of the graduating class deserve comment for their origianality, thought and preparation. The "Ideals of Our Nation," by Miss Irene Chatman was not only elocutionary but delivered excently. The orator of the class, Franck C. A. McMurray, merited praise above them all, and the audience testified this by their applause. His valedictory address was full of generous thanks to the state trustees and faculty; turning to the class he bid them score a record in the world for their dear alma mater. The audience arose sang a familiar song, after which Prof. Fisher introduced the speaker of the evening. When he arose he was greeted with loud applause, and the coming of Mr Vance proved to be a big drawing card, as quite a number came from neighboring towns to hear him. His address was brilliant, forceful and above all—practical. His oration on Dr Booker T. Washington was masterly delivered and warmly received. The speaker, in graceful words, paid a compliment to the graduating class and then took up the history of Arkansas and its great men. Let the class point to an object and work up to that point—beyond the Alps lies Italy. This means to the class determination, perseverance, courage and the power to surmount obstacles. The speaker here drew a beautiful picture of the great Napoleon crossing the Alps, and vividly did he portray the great military specialist, which brought out the traits of character he wished to emphasize—fixedness of purpose, courage and perseverance. You must build on safe lines, foundation solid; build from the bottom and go up. Cultivate the power to study and think; give more time to special training in the industrial department, and be dead earnest in whatever avocation you pursue. Impossibility is the adjective of fools. There is no aristocracy of brain Start out to master the situation; pitch your your tent right here, here in the southland. Southern gentlemen are our best friends to the race.

Look ye here to these walls, these grand men and women, this magnificent graduating class, I tell you this is a great land. Let us be self-reliant, build up character, thrift, pride, get a bank account, be true to your neighbor be he white or black, take him into your confidence. We have had many great men and the older ones are passing away. The grandest of our race is Booker T. Washington. He lives in an atmosphere of constant hustle, in the largest of his powers; his addresses are noteable and possesses clearness and force of thought, actractiveness of style and appropriatness of illustration. His discourses have become phrases of literature; they are intrepid and expository. They are utterances of piercing wit and pregnant thought; burning words appealing to the emotion as well as to the intelligence; simple in conception, plain words, but they stir the soul and touch the heart. He makes history with the world builders and great thinkers. He is now in the meridian of his power and the hopefulness of his mission. God grant him many years of usefulness and a golden jubilee at the end. He possesses conservatism of common sense and he liveth in the white sunlight of potent words.

Judge Gibbs, who had come from Little Rock to hear the orator, also spoke a few encouraging words to the class. After the awarding of diplomas many came to the platform and warmly shook the hand of the speaker Prof. Fisher delivered a short address to the graduating class after which closed the thirtieth annual commencement of Branch Normal College.

THE BANQUET.

The citizens of Pine Bluff gave Mr. Vance a reception that has surpassed all occasions of the kind in the State. In point of attendance, culture and refinement it was equal to any banquet we have seen in the Southern States. It was given in the Masonic Temple owned by Negroes, ocsting $70 000. The affair was delightful in every respect. The mingling of the young society people with the older citizens, meeting the distinguished guest, promenading amid the sweet strains of the grand orchestra, feasting at the festal board, hearing the charming toasts, conversing with the lovely and attractive women made the occasion a grand affair. About 11:30 p. m. a grand march, headed by Lawyer Vance and Mrs. Isaac Fisher, Judge Gibbs and Mrs Ferd Havis, they were led to the long T shape table up on the next floor, where Mr. T. Skidmore had the long table beautifully decorated with flowers and served an elegant supper in pomp and style. Prof. Fisher, the toastmaster, was replete with words of introduction of each speaker. Drs. Rowland, Flippen, Col. Havis and Rev. Middlebrooks of Pine Bluff responded while Judge M. W. Gibbs, in a happy vein, represented Little Rock. Mr Vance, the honored guest, responded very feelingly. His tribute to Negroes of Arkansas and Pine Bluff was admiral. The thrift, energy, commercial, professional and mercantile side of the Negroes of Pine Bluff, he said, was simply magnificent. He spoke not of what he heard, but what he saw. The ladies highly enjoyed his speech as he did not fail to pin upon them a boquet of literary flowers. It was an occasion of a "feast of reason and flow of souls."

Prof. A. W. Johnson presented Prof. Fisher with a gold medal from the college students. Thus ended the grandest affairs since the days of the immortal Douglass' visit.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Judge Gibbs was the guest of Colonel Havis.

Messrs. Dave Duke and Henry Moseby were pleasant to The Freeman correspondent.

Business quiet, town dusty, sun hot and still heating.

Miss Gertrude Donahoo will visit Little Rock soon.

Attorney J. Madison Vance was the guest of Prof. Isaac Fisher.

Miss Christine Allen, the popular teacher, is in Montecello visiting.

The County Teachers' Institute was in session for two weeks under Prof. Johnson.

The new drug store of Dr. Miller, the pool-room, hotel and restuarant are the pride of the city.

Dave Duke, clerk in the postoffice, it was told us by the postmaster, is one of the fastest in the office.

George Black of 106 Barraque street, is doing a splendid business. Give him a call when you are in Pine Bluff.

Misses Peoples and Benson have gone to their homes after a successful school year at the Branch Normal College.

Jake Moseby, who is one of the most liberal hearted citizens of the town, is doing a good business at 304 Main St.

Dave Coleman, the wide awake restaurant man on Third avenue, does a good business. He serves meals at all hours.

The Southern Mercantile Company's new building and the Masonic Temple number among the costly buildings of the county.

James Jones, who has for a number of years managed the Wiley Jones saloon, is doing a big business at 233 Main street.

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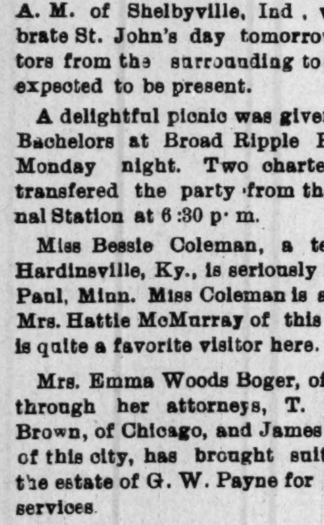
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